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Box Patent Application

Sir:

RE: New U.S. Patent Application Claiming the Priority of European  
Patent Application No. 00128660.8, filed on December 28, 2000  
Title: Allergy Vaccines Containing Hybrid Polypeptides  
Inventors: Linhart et al.  
Attorney Docket No.: 0273-0006

## I. Enclosures:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application.

1. U.S. Small Entity Utility Patent Application entitled: "Allergy Vaccines Containing Hybrid Polypeptides"

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a. A specification containing:

- (i) 22 pages of description;
- (ii) 3 pages of claims (19 claims);
- (iii) 1 page abstract;

b. 7 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7);

c. 6 pages of Sequence Listing;

2. Preliminary Amendment;

3. Certified Copy of Priority Document No. 00128660.8; and

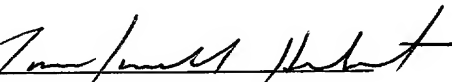
4. Two (2) return post cards.

## **II. Filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Applicants respectfully await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for paying the fees and filing the Declaration and Power of Attorney.

It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached post cards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other prepaid postcard be stamped with the filing date and unofficial serial number and returned as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,



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